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In Re PATENT APPLICATION Of:

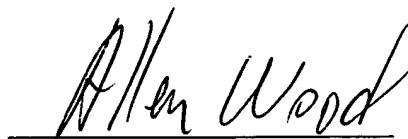
Applicant : Kiminori SATO et al. )  
Serial No. : 10/764,598 )  
Filed : January 27, 2004 )  
For : MAGNETIC DATA EMBEDDING )  
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Attorney Ref: FEC 111 )  
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**STATUS REQUEST**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please let us know the status of the above-identified application and when an Action may be expected. If the response to this status request is made by telephone, please ask for Tonya Harris (Docket Clerk) at extension 518.

Respectfully submitted,

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